## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. A pharmaceutical composition comprising:
- (a) compound selected from the group consisting of an aromatic compound of the formula:

$$W^1$$
  $R^1$   $Ar^1$   $Ar^2$   $R^2$   $R^2$   $R^2$   $R^2$ 

a heteroaromatic compound of the formula:

$$Y^1$$
  $Ar^3$   $Ar^4$   $Ar^4$ 

a cyclic compound of the formula:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R^{5} & & \\
 & X^{2} & \\
 & X^{3} \\
 & X^{4} & \\
 & & X^{4}
\end{array}$$

10 a bicyclic compound of the formula:

and an amino acid derivative of the formula:

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or salts thereof,
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wherein

each of  $W^1$  and  $W^2$  is independently  $CO_2R_2^{15}$ , C(=NH)NH(OH),  $SO_3R_2^{15}$ ,

 $C(=NH)NH_2$ , OPO(OR<sup>15</sup>)<sub>2</sub>,  $C(=O)CF_3$  or PO(OR<sup>15</sup>)<sub>2</sub>;

each of Ar1, Ar2, Ar4 and Ar5 is independently C6-C20 aryl or  $C_1-C_{20}$  heteroaryl;

Ar<sup>3</sup> is  $C_1-C_{20}$  heteroaryl;

each of  $X^1$ ,  $X^2$ ,  $X^3$ ,  $X^4$ ,  $X^5$ ,  $X^6$ ,  $X^7$  and  $X^8$  is independently methylene, O, S or NR16;

each of  $R^1$  and  $R^2$  is independently a bond,  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkylene, or halogenated-C1-C6 alkylene;

each of  $R^3$  and  $R^4$  are independently halogen,  $-Z^1$  or  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl; each of  $X^9$ ,  $Y^1$  and  $Z^1$  is independently  $OR^{17}$ ,  $SR^{17}$  or  $NR^{17}R^{18}$ ;

each of R5 and R6 is independently amino acid side chain residue or a moiety of the formula -R19-W3;

each of  $R^8$ ,  $R^9$  and  $R^{11}$  is independently an amino acid side chain residue, provided R11 is not H or CH3;

R7 is OR20, NR21R22, or from about 1 to about 10 amino acids;  $R^{10}$  is  $C_1-C_6$  alkylene;

 $R^{12}$  is  $C_1-C_6$  alkyl or  $C_6-C_{20}$  aralkyl;

 $W^3$  is  $C(=0)X^{10}$ ;

 $X^{10}$  is  $OR^{23}$  or  $NR^{24}R^{25}$ ;

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each of  $R^{13}$ ,  $R^{15}$ ,  $R^{17}$ ,  $R^{18}$ ,  $R^{20}$ ,  $R^{21}$ ,  $R^{23}$  and  $R^{24}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl;

each  $R^{16}$  is independently H,  $C_6 - C_{20}$  aryl or an amide protecting group;

R<sup>19</sup> is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkylene;

each of  $R^{22}$  and  $R^{25}$  is independently H,  $C_1 - C_6$  alkyl or an amide protecting group;

R<sup>14</sup> is H, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl or an amine protecting group;
L is a linker comprising from 1 to about 20 atoms; and
each of m and n is independently an integer from 0 to 2; and
(b) a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

2. The composition of Claim 1, wherein said compound is of the formula:

$$(R^3)_m$$
 $L^1$ 
 $Ar^2$ 
 $R^2$ 
 $W^2$ 

3. The composition of Claim 2, wherein said compound is of the formula:

$$W^{1}-R^{1}$$
 $(R^{3})_{m}$ 
 $(R^{4})_{n}$ 
 $R^{2}-W^{2}$ 

- 4. The composition of Claim 3, wherein m and n are 0.
- 5. The composition of Claim 4, wherein  $W^1$  and  $W^2$  are  $CO_2H$ .

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- 6. The composition of Claim 5, wherein  $\mathbb{R}^1$  and  $\mathbb{R}^2$  are a bond.
- 7. The composition of Claim 6, wherein  $L^1$  is  $-CH_2CH_2-$ .
- 8. The composition of Claim 6, wherein  $L^1$  is  $-CH_2O-$ .
- 9. The composition of Claim 6, wherein L¹ is -CH=CHC(=O)-.
- 10. The composition of Claim 6, wherein  $L^1$  is  $-CH_2CH_2CH$  (OH) -.
- 11. The composition of Claim 6, wherein L1 is -CH=CH-.
- 12. The composition of Claim 6, wherein L1 is -CH(OH)CH(OH)-.
- 13. The composition of Claim 12, wherein the stereochemistry of hydroxy groups is (S,S).
- 14. The composition of Claim 6, wherein  $L^1$  is  $-CH_2N(R^{26})\,CH_2-$ , wherein  $R^{26}$  is H,  $C_1-C_6$  alkyl or an amine protecting group.
  - 15. The composition of Claim 14, wherein  $R^{26}$  is  $-CH_2CO_2H$ .
- 16. The composition of Claim 6, wherein  $\mathbb{L}^1$  is a moiety of the formula:

- 17. The composition of Claim 5, wherein  $R^1$  and  $R^2$  are  $-CH_2-$ .
- 18. The composition of Claim 17, wherein  $L^1$  is ethylene.
- 19. The composition of Claim 17, wherein  $L^1$  is -CH=CH-.
- 20. The composition of Claim 5, wherein  $R^1$  is methylene,  $R^2$

is a bond and L¹ is ethylene.

- 21. The composition of Claim 4, wherein  $W^1$  and  $W^2$  are PO(OR<sup>15</sup>)<sub>2</sub>, and R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>2</sup> are a bond.
  - 22. The composition of Claim 21, wherein  $L^1$  is ethylene.
  - 23. The composition of Claim 22, wherein  $R^{15}$  is ethyl.
  - 24. The composition of Claim 22, wherein  $\mathbb{R}^{15}$  is H.
- 25. The composition of Claim 21, wherein  $L^1$  is a moiety of the formula:

wherein

each of  $R^{27}$  and  $R^{28}$  is independently H,  $C_1\text{-}C_6$  alkyl,  $C_6\text{-}C_{10}$  aralkyl or a protecting group.

- 26. The composition of Claim 25, wherein each of  $\mathbb{R}^{27}$  and  $\mathbb{R}^{28}$  is independently 4-methoxybenzyl or H.
- 15 27. The composition of Claim 6, wherein L¹ is a moiety of the formula:

wherein

each of  $R^{27}$  and  $R^{28}$  is independently H,  $C_1\text{-}C_6$  alkyl,  $C_6\text{-}C_{10}$ 

aralkyl or a protecting group.

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- 28. The composition of Claim 27, wherein each of  $\mathbb{R}^{27}$  and  $\mathbb{R}^{28}$  is independently 4-methoxybenzyl or H.
- 29. The composition of Claim 4, wherein  $L^1$  is -CH=CH-,  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  are C(=NH)NH(OH), and  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are bond.
  - 30. The composition of Claim 4, wherein  $L^1$  is  $-CH_2O-$ ,  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  are C(=O)  $CF_3$ , and  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are bond.
  - 31. The composition of Claim 4, wherein  $L^1$  is  $-CH_2CH_2-$ ,  $R_1$  and  $W_1$  together forms  $-(CH_2)_aCH(NHR^{29})CO_2H$ , wherein a is an integer from 0 to 2 and  $R^{29}$  is H,  $C_1-C_6$  alkyl or an amine protecting group.
  - 32. The composition of Claim 31, wherein  $R_2$  and  $W_2$  together forms  $-(CH_2)_bCH(NHR^{30})CO_2H$ , wherein b is an integer from 0 to 2 and  $R^{30}$  is H,  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl or an amine protecting group.
  - 33. The composition of Claim 32, wherein a and b are 1, and  $R^{29}$  and  $R^{30}$  are  $-C(=0)\,CH_3$ .
  - 34. The composition of Claim 2, wherein said compound is of the formula:

35. The composition of Claim 1, wherein said compound is of the formula:

36. The composition of Claim 35, wherein said compound is of the formula:

- 37. The composition of Claim 36, wherein  $Y^1$  is  $-NH_2$ .
- 38. The composition of Claim 37, wherein m and n are 0.
- 39. The composition of Claim 1, wherein said compound is of the formula:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R^{5} & & \\
0 & & \\
X^{2} & & \\
X^{3} & & \\
R^{7} & & \\
0 & & \\
\end{array}$$

- 10 wherein  $X^1$ ,  $X^2$ ,  $X^3$  and  $X^4$  are  $NR^{16}$ .
  - 40. The composition of Claim 39, wherein said compound is of the formula:

41. The composition of Claim 1, wherein said compound is of the formula:

42. The composition of Claim 1, wherein said compound is of the formula:

 $R^{12}$  NHR<sup>14</sup>
43. The composition of Claim 42, wherein R<sup>11</sup> is lysine side chain residue, R<sup>12</sup> is 2'-phenylethyl and R<sup>14</sup> is -C(=0)CH<sub>3</sub>.

44. A method for inhibiting Fc receptor binding of immunoglobulin in a patient comprising administering to such patient a pharmaceutically effective amount of a compound selected from the group consisting of substituted or unsubstituted benzoic acids, nucleosides and analogs thereof, folic acid and its derivatives, an aromatic compound of the formula:

$$W^1 - R^1 - \left(Ar^1\right)_m - \left(R^4\right)_n - \left(R^4\right)_n$$

a heteroaromatic compound of the formula:

$$Y^1$$
  $Ar^3$   $Ar^4$   $Ar^4$ 

a cyclic compound of the formula:

a bicyclic compound of the formula:

and an amino acid derivative of the formula:

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or salts thereof,

wherein

each of W¹ and W² is independently  $CO_2R^{15}$ , C(=NH)NH(OH),  $SO_3R^{15}$ , \_\_\_\_ 5  $C(=NH)NH_2$ , OPO(OR¹5)2,  $C(=O)CF_3$  or PO(OR¹5)2;

each of  $Ar^1$ ,  $Ar^2$ ,  $Ar^4$  and  $Ar^5$  is independently  $C_6-C_{20}$  aryl or  $C_1-C_{20}$  heteroaryl;

Ar<sup>3</sup> is  $C_1-C_{20}$  heteroaryl;

each of  $X^1$ ,  $X^2$ ,  $X^3$ ,  $X^4$ ,  $X^5$ ,  $X^6$ ,  $X^7$  and  $X^8$  is independently methylene, O, S or  $NR^{16}$ ;

each of  $R^1$  and  $R^2$  is independently a bond,  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkylene, or halogenated  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkylene;

each of  $R^3$  and  $R^4$  are independently halogen,  $-Z^1$  or  $C_1-C_6$  alkyl; each of  $X^9$ ,  $Y^1$  and  $Z^1$  is independently  $OR^{17}$ ,  $SR^{17}$  or  $NR^{17}R^{18}$ ;

each of  $R^5$  and  $R^6$  is independently amino acid side chain residue or a moiety of the formula  $-R^{19}-W^3$ ;

each of  $R^8$ ,  $R^9$  and  $R^{11}$  is independently an amino acid side chain residue, provided  $R^{11}$  is not H or  $CH_3$ ;

 $R^7$  is  $OR^{20}$ ,  $NR^{21}R^{22}$ , or from about 1 to about 10 amino acids;  $R^{10}$  is  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkylene;

 $R^{12}$  is  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl or  $C_6$ - $C_{20}$  aralkyl;

 $W^3$  is  $C(=0)X^{10}$ ;

 $X^{10}$  is  $OR^{23}$  or  $NR^{24}R^{25}$ ;

each of  $R^{13}$ ,  $R^{15}$ ,  $R^{17}$ ,  $R^{18}$ ,  $R^{20}$ ,  $R^{21}$ ,  $R^{23}$  and  $R^{24}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1-C_6$  alkyl;

each  $R^{16}$  is independently H,  $C_6-C_{20}$  aryl or an amide protecting group;

 $R^{19}$  is  $C_1-C_6$  alkylene;

each of  $\mathbb{R}^{22}$  and  $\mathbb{R}^{25}$  is independently H,  $C_1\text{-}C_6$  alkyl or an amide protecting group;

 $R^{14}$  is H,  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl or an amine protecting group; L is a linker comprising from 1 to about 20 atoms; and each of m and n is independently an integer from 0 to 2.

- 45. The method of Claim 44, wherein said Fc receptor is selected from the group consisting of Fc $\alpha$ R, Fc $\epsilon$ R, Fc $\gamma$ R and mixtures thereof.
- 46. The method of Claim 45, wherein said Fc receptor is selected from the group consisting of FcγRIIa, FcγRIIb, FcγRIIc and mixtures thereof.
- 47. The method of Claim 44, wherein said method reduces IgG20 mediated tissue damage in said patient.
  - 48. The method of Claim 44, wherein said method reduces

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inflammation in said patient.

- 49. The method of Claim 44, wherein said method is used to treat an autoimmune disease.
- 50. The method of Claim 44, wherein said method is used to treat a disease where aggregates of antibodies are produced or where immune complexes are produced by contact of antibody with intrinsic or extrinsic antigen.
- 51. The method of Claim 50, wherein said disease is selected from the group consisting of immune complex diseases, autoimmune diseases, infectious diseases and vasculitities.
- 52. The method of Claim 51, wherein said autoimmune disease is selected from the group consisting of rheumatoid arthritis, systemic lupus erythematosus, immune thrombocytopenia, neutropenia, and hemolytic anaemias.
- 53. The method of Claim 51, wherein said vasculitities is selected from the group consisting of polyarteritis nodosa, and systemic vasculitis.
- 54. The method of Claim 44, wherein said method is used to treat xenograft rejection.
- 55. The method of Claim 51, wherein said infectious disease is selected from the group consisting of Dengue virus-dengue hemorrhagic fever and measles virus infection.

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- 56. The method of Claim 44, wherein said method reduces IgE-mediated response in said patient.
- 57. The method of Claim 44, wherein said compound is selected from the group consisting of folic acid, 4-methyl benzoic acid, 3-methyl benzoic acid and a nucleoside or analogs thereof.
- 58. The method of Claim 57, wherein said nucleoside or analogs thereof is of the formula:

$$X^{11}$$
 $Q$ 
 $X^{12}$ 
 $X^{13}$ 

wherein

Q is O or methylene;

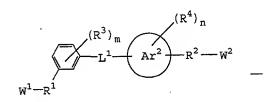
 $X^{11}$  is  $OR^{31}$  or  $OPO(OR^{31})_2$ ;

each of  $X^{12}$  and  $X^{13}$  is independently H or  $OR^{32}$ ; and each of  $R^{31}$  and  $R^{32}$  is independently H or  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl.

- 59. The method of Claim 58, wherein Q is O.
- 60. The method of Claim 59, wherein  $X^{11}$  is OH.
- 61. The method of Claim 60, wherein  $X^{12}$  and  $X^{13}$  are H.
- 62. The method of Claim 60, wherein  $X^{12}$  and  $X^{13}$  are OH.
- 63. The method of Claim 60, wherein  $X^{12}$  is OH and  $X^{13}$  is H.
- 64. The method of Claim 59, wherein  $X^{11}$  is  $OPO_3H_2$ .

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- 65. The method of Claim 64, wherein  $X^{12}$  and  $X^{13}$  are OH.
- 66. The method of Claim 44, wherein said compound is of the formula:



67. The method of Claim 66, wherein said compound is of the formula:

- 68. The method of Claim 67, wherein m and n are 0.
- 69. The method of Claim 68, wherein  $W^1$  and  $W^2$  are  $CO_2H$ .
- 70. The method of Claim 69, wherein  $R^1$  and  $R^2$  are a bond.
- 71. The method of Claim 70, wherein  $L^1$  is  $-CH_2CH_2-$ .
- 72. The method of Claim 70, wherein  $L^1$  is  $-CH_2O-$ .
- 73. The method of Claim 70, wherein  $L^1$  is -CH=CHC(=0)-.
- 74. The method of Claim 70, wherein  $L^1$  is  $-CH_2CH_2CH$  (OH) -.
- 75. The method of Claim 70, wherein  $L^1$  is -CH=CH-.
- 76. The method of Claim 70, wherein L1 is -CH(OH)CH(OH)-.
- 77. The method of Claim 76, wherein the stereochemistry of hydroxy groups is (S,S).
  - 78. The method of Claim 70, wherein  $L^1$  is  $-CH_2N\left(R^{26}\right)CH_2-$ ,

wherein  $R^{26}$  is H,  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl or an amine protecting group.

- 79. The method of Claim 78, wherein  $R^{26}$  is  $-CH_2CO_2H$ .
- 80. The method of Claim 70, wherein  $L^1$  is a moiety of the formula:

- 81. The method of Claim 69, wherein  $R^1$  and  $R^2$  are  $-CH_2-$ .
- 82. The method of Claim 81, wherein  $\mathrm{L}^1$  is ethylene.
- 83. The method of Claim 81, wherein  $L^1$  is -CH=CH-.
- 84. The method of Claim 69, wherein  $R^1$  is methylene,  $R^2$  is a bond and  $L^1$  is ethylene.
- 85. The method of Claim 68, wherein  $W^1$  and  $W^2$  are PO(OR<sup>15</sup>)<sub>2</sub>, and R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>2</sup> are a bond.
  - 86. The method of Claim 85, wherein  $L^1$  is ethylene.
  - 87. The method of Claim 86, wherein  $\mathbb{R}^{15}$  is ethyl.
  - 88. The method of Claim 86, wherein  $R^{15}$  is H.
- 89. The method of Claim 85, wherein  $L^1$  is a moiety of the formula:

wherein

each of  $R^{27}$  and  $R^{28}$  is independently H,  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl,  $C_6$ - $C_{10}$  aralkyl or a protecting group.

- 90. The method of Claim 89, wherein each of  $\mathbb{R}^{27}$  and  $\mathbb{R}^{28}$  is independently 4-methoxybenzyl or H.
  - 91. The method of Claim 70, wherein  $\mathbf{L}^1$  is a moiety of the formula:

wherein

each of  $R^{27}$  and  $R^{28}$  is independently H,  $C_1\!-\!C_6$  alkyl,  $C_6\!-\!C_{10}$  aralkyl or a protecting group.

- 92. The method of Claim 91, wherein each of  $\mathbb{R}^{27}$  and  $\mathbb{R}^{28}$  is independently 4-methoxybenzyl or H.
- 93. The method of Claim 68, wherein  $L^1$  is -CH=CH-,  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  are C(=NH)NH(OH), and  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are bond.
  - 94. The method of Claim 68, wherein  $L^1$  is  $-CH_2O-$ ,  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  are C(=O)  $CF_3$ , and  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are bond.
  - 95. The method of Claim 68, wherein  $L^1$  is  $-CH_2CH_2-$ ,  $R_1$  and  $W_1$  together forms  $-(CH_2)_aCH(NHR^{29})CO_2H$ , wherein a is an integer from 0 to 2 and  $R^{29}$  is H,  $C_1-C_6$  alkyl or an amine protecting group.

97. The method of Claim 96, wherein a and b are 1, and  $R^{29}$  and  $R^{30}$  are  $-C(=0)CH_3$ .

98. The method of Claim 66, wherein said compound is of the formula:

$$\mathsf{HO_2C} \overset{\mathsf{O}}{\longleftarrow} \overset{\mathsf{O}}{\underset{\mathsf{H}}{\bigvee}} \overset{\mathsf{O}}{\longrightarrow} \overset{\mathsf{CO_2H}}{\longleftarrow}$$

99. The method of Claim 44, wherein said compound is of the formula:

$$\begin{array}{c} (\mathbb{R}^3)_{\mathfrak{m}} \\ (\mathbb{R}^4)_{\mathfrak{n}} \end{array}$$

100. The method of Claim 99, wherein said compound is of the formula:

101. The method of Claim 100, wherein  $Y^1$  is  $-NH_2$ .

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102. The method of Claim 101, wherein m and n are 0.

103. The method of Claim 44, wherein said compound is of the

formula:

wherein  $X^1$ ,  $X^2$ ,  $X^3$  and  $X^4$  are  $NR^{16}$ .

104. The method of Claim 103, wherein said compound is of the formula:

105. The method of Claim 44, wherein said compound is of the formula:

10 106. The method of Claim 44, wherein said compound is of the formula:

107. The method of Claim 106, wherein  $R^{11}$  is lysine side chain residue,  $R^{12}$  is 2'-phenylethyl and  $R^{14}$  is -C(=O)CH<sub>3</sub>.